

application in person at the Hagerstown Regional Airport—Richard A. Henson Field.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA)

[Docket No. RSPA-98-4470]

#### Pipeline Safety: Meetings of Pipeline Safety Advisory Committees

**AGENCY:** Office of Pipeline Safety, Research and Special Programs Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of advisory committee meetings.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C. App. 1) notice is hereby given of the following meetings of the Technical Pipeline Safety Standards Committee (TPSSC) and the Technical Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Safety Standards Committee (THLPSSC). Both the TPSSC and the THLPSSC are statutorily mandated advisory committees that assist RSPA's Office of Pipeline Safety in its consideration of proposed safety standards, risk assessments, and safety policies for hazardous liquid and natural gas pipelines. Each committee has an authorized membership of 15 persons, five each from government, industry, and the public. The committees meet in May and November of each year. Each Committee meeting, as well as a joint session of the two Committees, is held at the Department of Transportation, Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590. The May 4-5, 1999, meetings will be held in room 8236.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments on these meetings should be sent to the Dockets Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, Plaza 401, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590-0001. Alternatively, comments may be e-mailed to ops.comments@rspa.dot.gov. All comments must reference Docket No. RSPA-98-4470. The Dockets Facility is located on the plaza level of the Nassif Building in Room 401, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC. The Dockets Facility is open from 10:00 a.m.

to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** L.E. Herrick, OPS, (202) 366-5523 or Richard Hurlaux, OPS, (202) 366-4565, regarding the subject matter of this notice.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On May 4, 1999, at 9:00 a.m., the Technical Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Safety Standards committee will meet in room 8236 of the Nassif Building. The preliminary agenda includes:

1. OPS Reorganization
2. Update on Usually Sensitive Areas (USA)
3. Pressure Testing of Older Hazardous Liquid Pipelines and Terminals
4. Overview of the OPA Program
5. Liquid Data Team Report

On May 4, 1999, at 11:30 a.m., the THLPSSC will be joined by members of the TPSSC for a joint session of the gas and hazardous liquid pipeline advisory committees. The preliminary agenda includes:

1. Qualification of Pipeline Personnel
2. Training Report: Pipeline Employee Performance Group (PEPG), Training of Minerals Management Service Personnel, and the Transportation Safety Institute (TSI) Curriculum
3. Compliance Program Directions: Inspection Procedures, Policy, and Federal/State Relationship
4. Gas and Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Repair
5. System Integrity Inspection Pilots
6. Marking of Water Crossings
7. National Pipeline Mapping System
8. Risk Management Demonstration
9. Corrosion Control on Gas and Hazardous Liquid Pipelines
10. Cost-Benefit Analysis Framework Working Group
11. Random Drug Testing Rates
12. Underground Damage Prevention Activities: Damage Quality Action Team (DAMQAT) and One Call Best Practices Study

On May 5, 1999, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., the Technical Pipeline Safety Standards Committee will meet. The preliminary agenda includes:

1. Gas Gathering Lines
2. Remotely Controlled Valves on Natural Gas Pipeline Facilities
3. Adoption of Industry Standards for Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)
4. Plastic Pipeline Safety Standards and Research
5. Risk Management Local Distribution Company (LDC) Initiative

All three meetings will be open to the public. Members of the public will have an opportunity to make short statements

on the topics under discussion. Anyone wishing to make an oral statement must notify Peggy Thompson, Room 7128, Department of Transportation, Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590, telephone (202) 366-1933, not later than April 15, 1999, on the topic of the statement and the time requested for presentation. The presiding officer at each meeting may deny any request to present an oral statement and may limit the time of any presentation.

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 60102, 60115.

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**Richard B. Felder,**

*Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 33725]

#### CSX Transportation, Inc.—Trackage Rights Exemption—Consolidated Rail Corporation

Consolidated Rail Corporation (Conrail), has agreed to grant overhead trackage rights to CSX Transportation, Inc., (CSXT), to operate its trains, locomotives, cars and equipment with CSXT's own crews over Conrail's Olin Running Track between the Conrail/CSXT connection at milepost 0.5± and milepost 0.0±; and (2) Conrail's Pekin Running Track between milepost 0.0± and the limits of trackage being leased by CSXT at the connection to Conrail's Hillery Yard at milepost 1.85± in Danville, IL,<sup>1</sup> a distance of approximately 1.9 miles, including necessary head and tail room.

As noted in the agreement attached to CSXT's notice of exemption, this trackage rights arrangement is only temporary. The Conrail trackage that is the subject of the trackage rights is to be allocated to Conrail's subsidiary, New York Central Lines LLC, and operated by CSXT, after what is referred to as the "Split Date," or the date of the division of Conrail's assets, as authorized by the Board in *CSX Corporation and CSX Transportation, Inc., Norfolk Southern Corporation and Norfolk Southern Railway Company—Control and Operating Leases/Agreements—Conrail Inc., and Consolidated Rail Corporation*, STB Finance Docket No. 33388 (STB served July 23, 1998). CSXT states that

<sup>1</sup> Under a separate agreement, CSXT is leasing approximately 18,850 feet of yard track in Conrail's Hillery Yard for storage of railroad cars.